

Agenda Item Form

Agenda Date: 03/16/04

Districts Affected: ALL

Dept. Head/Contact Information: Pat Adauto, Deputy CAO, B & PS; 541-4855

Type of Agenda Item:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution | <input type="checkbox"/> Staffing Table Changes | <input type="checkbox"/> Board Appointments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax Installment Agreements | <input type="checkbox"/> Tax Refunds | <input type="checkbox"/> Donations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> RFP/ BID/ Best Value Procurement | <input type="checkbox"/> Budget Transfer | <input type="checkbox"/> Item Placed by Citizen |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Application for Facility Use | <input type="checkbox"/> Bldg. Permits/Inspection | <input type="checkbox"/> Introduction of Ordinance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Interlocal Agreements | <input type="checkbox"/> Contract/Lease Agreement | <input type="checkbox"/> Grant Application |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | |

Funding Source:

- ☐ General Fund
- ☐ Grant (duration of funds: _____ Months)
- ☐ Other Source: _____

Legal:

- ☐ Legal Review Required Attorney Assigned (please scroll down): Kevin Elkins ☐ Approved ☐ Denied

Timeline Priority: ☒ High ☐ Medium ☐ Low # of days: _____

Why is this item necessary:

Explain Costs, including ongoing maintenance and operating expenditures, or Cost Savings:

None

Statutory or Citizen Concerns:

Departmental Concerns:

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The El Paso City Council strongly supports improved regional transportation infrastructure projects and the necessary State funding to accomplish these type of projects, and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Policy Board (“TPB”) of the El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization (“MPO”) on January 23, 2004, endorsed two projects for presentation to the Texas Transportation Commission (“Commission”); and

WHEREAS, on May 27, 2004, El Paso will send a delegation to Austin to petition the Commission to fund these two projects; and

WHEREAS, the construction funds requested total \$352,422,982; and

WHEREAS, these projects will assist in the completion of Loop 375, improve congested traffic conditions, aid in the flow of commercial traffic, and help the El Paso region address its rapid growth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS THAT:

The Mayor be authorized to sign a resolution in support of the two priority projects endorsed by the Transportation Policy Board of the MPO for presentation to the Texas Transportation Commission.

The City Council of the City of El Paso finds that the following identified infrastructure projects are necessary for El Paso regional transportation needs and supports these transportation infrastructure projects, endorsed by the TPB of the MPO, for presentation to the Commission for approval and action:

- **Priority #1- Inner Loop**

This phase of the Inner Loop project includes: the extension of Global Reach Drive to Walter Jones Boulevard (six lane divided roadway); an interchange at Global Reach Drive and Walter Jones Boulevard; an extension of Walter Jones Boulevard to Loop 375 (four lane divided roadway), and ensuing interchange; the rebuilding of Walter Jones Boulevard from the new interchange (Walter Jones Boulevard and Global Reach Drive) west to Founders Boulevard; and the construction of an additional gate-access entrance onto Biggs Army Airfield via the interchange at Global Reach Drive and Walter Jones Boulevard. The estimated cost of this phase of the project is \$44,484,000. The entire project to US 54 is estimated to be \$196,422,982.

- **Priority #2- IH-10/Loop 375 Interchange East**

This project includes two phases: Phase II will construct outer loops and frontage road connectors of this multilevel interchange, including the reconstruction of the existing

cloverleaf ramps. This phase will also construct direct connectors between Loop 375 and Interstate 10. The estimated cost of Phase II is \$74.2 million. Phase III will construct the remaining direct connectors and final miscellaneous design and aesthetic treatments throughout the entire project limits. This multilevel interchange is a freeway-freeway facility between Loop 375 and Interstate 10. The estimate cost of Phase III is \$81.1 million.

1. The City Clerk is instructed to submit an original of this Resolution to the Commission in time for its May 27, 2004 meeting.
2. The City of El Paso's full support of an improved transportation system and adequate levels of funding be respectfully communicated to the Commission.

ADOPTED THIS 23RD DAY OF MARCH 2004.

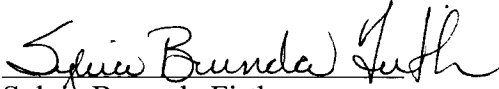
CITY OF EL PASO

Joe Wardy
Mayor

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Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Sylvia Borunda Firth
Assistant City Attorney

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